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JUDGE SCHEINDLIN

BY FACSIMILE

Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin United States District Judge United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

Re:

United States v. Lam

07 Cr. 844 (SAS)

Dear Judge Scheindlin:

Your Honor previously referred the plea in this case to a United States Magistrate Judge. The parties appeared for said plea on April 18, 2008 but the defendant was not produced because he is subject to a new chickenpox quarantine at the MCC; such quarantines typically last a minimum of 21 days. Accordingly, the parties seek a new control date of May 16, 2008, and will schedule a plea in Magistrate Court on or before that date absent contrary instruction from the Court.

In light of the above, defense counsel seeks (and is joined by the Government) an exclusion of time under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. 3161(h)(8)(a) for the purposes of finalizing the plea, and submit that such an exclusion is in the interest of justice.

Very truly yours,

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